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A SEPARATION.

France and the Vatican have fairly separated. The French Ambassador to the Vatican has been withdrawn, and France no longer recognizes the Pope. It is a remarkable event in modern history which is liable to be forgotten in the rush of modern affairs, and of greater interests. But it marks the breaking off of relations which have lasted from the time of Pepin the Short over one thousand years ago, to be accurate, one thousand one hundred and fifty-two years.

Since then the relation between France and Rome has been intimate. Pepin began by conquering the Lombards who were thundering at the gates of Rome in the days of Pope Stephen the Third, and handing over considerable Italian territory to his papal friend. Other French kings have given assistance, French kings have trembled at the mandates of Popes, and Popes found refuge from their turbulent subjects at the French city of Arignon. The resolution of 1789 broke for a time the relationship, and Napoleon the Great treated the papacy with scant courtesy for a while, but when he became Emperor there was a reconciliation, and through the Concordat France again became the supporter of Rome, and she remained so till the fall of the second Empire at the battle of Sedan.

The break now is probably irrevocable. The French Republic is going to stay, neither Kingdom nor Empire are likely to be revived. The French hierarchy acting probably upon papal orders, but certainly depending upon papal sympathy, has systematically opposed the Republic and has intrigued with royalists and imperialists. The last straw was the papal circular to the various Catholic powers, complaining of the visit of President Loubet to the King of Italy. It was decidedly an undiplomatic move, especially in view of the fact that the French voters have supported the anti-papal attitude of the French Government.

When one looks back into history and thinks of what the papal power used to be and what it is now, one is only more impressed with the mutability of greatness. The haughtiest of monarchs have bowed before the papal power. One has only to recall Henry IV of Germany standing for three days in the court yard of the Castle of Canossa, waiting for the pious Pontiff to grant him absolution. The power was immense, it seemed to be transcendent, but it waned.

And yet the power of the Pope is really greater today than it was then. In every part of the world he has his spiritual subjects, and if he would only throw aside the temporal and devote himself to the spiritual he would yet be the greatest or one of the greatest powers of the world. Perhaps the falling away of France may finally teach the lesson which was begun by Victor Emmanuel and Garibaldi.

PROTECTING ROGUES.

A curious extradition case was tried before the Supreme Court of the United States at the beginning of this month. A man was convicted of an extraditable crime of assault with intent to commit murder in Ireland. He escaped and came to the United States. The British Government asked for his extradition just as the United States Government asked for the extradition of Adachi from the Japanese Government. As far as the Federal authorities were concerned in New York there was no difficulty. A United States commissioner in New York issued a warrant for his arrest and this was served in Indiana.

Now came the difficulty. The Federal Circuit Court in Indiana ordered his release on habeas corpus on the ground that the commissioner in New York had no power to issue a warrant under which a Federal Marshal in Indiana could legally arrest the accused and deliver him in New York without a previous examination. The Supreme Court of the United States sustained this decision. It held that an accused man could not be extradited under existing treaty provisions, except upon such criminality as under the laws of Indiana would justify his apprehension and commitment for trial if the crime alleged had been committed in that State.

This judgment will seriously affect the extradition laws of all countries having such treaties with the United States. Virtually it says that a prima facie showing of criminality under the laws of the State where the accused is actually found must be made before the criminal can be extradited. This will be awkward for future extradition papers, and may cause much delay. But the end is far to see. There will probably have to be revision of treaties. We know we need a change in our Japanese treaty. European nations will want a change in theirs. Law always seems to protect rogues.

IRISH EMIGRATION.

Some very interesting statistics about emigration from European countries are being collected by the consuls of the United States. The Star gave some details about the emigration from Finland quite recently. Ireland used to be the source from which immigrants came to the United States, but the number has greatly fallen off.

The total number of emigrants—natives of Ireland—recorded as having left Ireland from May 1, 1851, to the end of 1902 was 3,921,222, of whom 2,040,236 were males and 1,880,986 females, the record being 190,332 in 1852. The larger proportion of the emigrants went from the south and west of Ireland, or, in other words, from the agricultural portion of the country.

The total number of emigrants for 1902 was 40,190, of whom the United States received 83.8 per cent, against an average of 84 per cent for the four preceding years. Great Britain received 11.7 per cent; Canada, 1.8 per cent; Australia, 1.3 per cent; New Zealand, 0.2 per cent; and other countries, 1.2 per cent. Probably 85 per cent of all the emigrants from Ireland during the last one hundred years have gone to the United States. Of the emigrants leaving Ireland in 1902 there were 3,578 under 15 years of age, 5,897 between 15 and 20 years of age, 16,611 between 20 and 25 years of age, and 7,775 between 25 and 30 years of age, or a total of 33,761 out of 40,190 emigrants who were under 30 years of age.

The more thoughtful people in Ireland are beginning to realize that from an Irish point of view emigration is most deplorable. Those leaving Ireland are the bone and sinew of the country and their emigration means a lower marriage rate, a much lower birth rate, and a consequent depopulation of the country, to say nothing of the economic loss incurred in raising the people for what practically amounts to exportation for nothing. Even calculating the cost of raising a person in Ireland at \$200—and this is one-fifth of the supposed cost in the United States—emigration has cost Ireland since 1851, when the statistics were first kept, about \$800,000,000. An antiemigration society has been started in Dublin and is doing what it can to stem the tide of emigration. Its plan of campaign is to show that while some of the emigrants do better their condition, many of them do not, and that these latter almost invariably reach a lower state of misery than is possible in Ireland, where the worst they have to face is poverty, but poverty without the moral degradation common in large cities. This society, which has the support of many of the bishops and priests of the country and of the more prominent members of Parliament, has arranged to hold an antiemigration conference at the St. Louis Exposition in the hope that it may do something among Irish people in the United States to prevent them in any way assisting emigration from Ireland and to try to get our immigration laws as stringently enforced as regards Ireland as possible.

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Aala Park is looking remarkably well, and the grass has grown well, making the place an oasis in the desert of shanties, lodging houses, and small but smelly oriental stores.

The flood season is on in the mainland and the inevitable penalty for denuding the land of forests has to be paid. It costs millions in property and hundreds and some times thousands in lives.

The congress of song and the song competition will be a novelty to the Honolulu public. It will be a revelation to many to find what thorough musical work has been done in the schools, both public and private. In most of the public schools the children are taught to read at sight, and some day an exhibition of sight reading, such as is sometimes given away from here will be another surprise.

Bacon commenced one of his essays with the words "What is truth?" Said jesting Pilate. If Bacon had lived in the present day he need not have gone back to "jesting Pilate." One would like to know the truth about the Bogatyr. She ran ashore. She was said to be floated off, and now one hears that she has been blown up to prevent her falling into the hands of the Japanese. Then again an account comes of 1000 Japanese put hors de combat with only 116 Russian loss. This does not agree with the proved quality of the fighting power of the Japanese, yet it comes very gracefully from St. Petersburg. It is sad to say that the Russian has a poetic imagination.

The war news of this morning is indecisive. The Japanese seem to be concentrating about Port Arthur and

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